HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1158

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Kenton Jarvis Hull, Jr., upon his induction into the Tennessee

Bandmasters Association Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens, who through their extraordinary efforts, bring honor to the State of Tennessee; and WHEREAS, throughout its history, Tennessee has been blessed with many exemplary

citizens who have made significant contributions to the music profession; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Kenton (Ken) Hull, Jr., who was recently inducted into the Tennessee Bandmasters Association Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, a native of Sparta, Tennessee, Mr. Hull attended Tennessee Technological University, where he graduated in 1960 with a degree in Music Education and later earned a Master of Arts degree in Supervision and Administration from Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from college, Ken Hull returned to Sparta as the band director at his alma mater, White County High School, where he quickly brought recognition to the school and himself for the superior ratings in Marching and Concert which the band earned for the first time in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, after two years at White County, Mr. Hull moved to Nashville and taught at North High School and Two Rivers High School; and

WHEREAS, during his eight-year tenure at Two Rivers, Ken Hull led the band through unprecedented growth and consistent superior ratings in Marching, Concert, and Sight Reading; the band also won the Tennessee State Marching Championship and the Contest of Champions at Middle Tennessee State University in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hull transferred to McGavock High School when it opened in 1971; he taught at McGavock for the next six years, directing the band to five consecutive state marching band championship trophies, winning the Contest of Champions in 1972, and placing ninety-six members in Middle Tennessee Clinic Band and forty-one members in All-State organizations, as well as the wind ensemble's selection to perform at the National Association for Music Education in 1972; and

WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious band career, Ken Hull has been active in several professional organizations, including the Middle Tennessee Band and Orchestra Association and diligently serving as a clinician and adjudicator in Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas, Georgia, Missouri, and Florida; and

WHEREAS, while under his capable and guiding directorship, Mr. Hull's bands were invited to perform at the Orange Bowl Parade, the Rose Parade, and The Concert of Spring in Xochimilco, Mexico; and

WHEREAS, his significant contributions to marching and concert bands and music education have been duly noted with his receipt of numerous awards and accolades, including the MAC Award in 1976 and the National Band Association Certificate of Merit for Marching Excellence Award in 1985, in addition to serving as a Bands of America Advisory Board member from 1975-77 and President of Phi Beta Mu; and

WHEREAS, after seventeen triumphant years of teaching and directing band, Mr. Hull left the field of music education in 1977 to embark upon a second career of fund raising with school and youth groups; he retired after twenty-two successful years; and

WHEREAS, Ken Hull epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments and awards aside, Mr. Hull is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with wife, Sandy; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge Ken Hull for his musical contributions and dedication to the state of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Kenton Jarvis Hull, Jr., on the occasion of his induction into the Tennessee Bandmasters Association Hall of Fame, applaud his meritorious service to the state of Tennessee, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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